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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: WLL DEMONSTRATORS BLAST "IMPERIALISM"

REFERENCE: KINGSTON 5032

1. TWICE IN THE PAST WEEK THE WORKER'S LIBERATION LEAGUE (COMMUNIST) HAS HELD WELL-ATTENDED DEMONSTRATIONS OPPOSING THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND CALLING FOR A GOVERNMENT TAKE-OVER OF THE NEWS MEDIA. THE TWO DEMONSTRATIONS WERE LARGE BY JAMAICAN STANDARDS WITH OVER 2:0 PARTICIPANTS EACH. BOTH WERE HEADED BY WLL PRESIDENT TREVOR MUNROE.

2. ON AUGUST 27 THE WLL HELD A RALLY IN KINGSTON IN WHICH TREVOR MUNROE CALLED ON THE GOVERNMENT TO "FIGHT THE BIG MAN" AND TO ELIMINATE THE ROLE OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR. IN A SPEECH LACED WITH "ANTI IMPERIALIST" RHETORIC, MUNROE CHIDED THE GOVERNMENT FOR ITS FAILURE TO MOVE TOWARD FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF SOCIALISM.

3. ON AUGUST 29, THE WLL HELD ANOTHER DEMONSTRATION,
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THIS TIME TO CALL ON THE GOVERNMENT TO TAKE OVER THE "DAILY GLEANER", RJR RADIO AND THE "DAILY NEWS" AND TO TURN THE MEDIA OVER TO THE "WORKING PEOPLE". MUNROE ALLEGED THAT USUN AMBASSADOR ANDREW YOUNG HAD COMERTO JAMAICA TO HELP MR. EDWARD SEAGA (OPPOSITION LEADER) DESTROY THE COUNTRY. THE DEMONSTRATION CAPITALIZED ON THE PUBLIC PROTEST SURROUNDING THE

RECENT DISMISSAL OF THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY NEWS"
(REFTEL). IT WAS ATTENDED BY THE PNP YOUTH ORGANIZA-
TION AND OTHER LEFT-OF-CENTER GROUPS.
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